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AN APPEAL

We need a Pentecostal minister who would come for a revival and who can preach in the sign language. Our deaf church is in need of a good Holy Ghost revival. So far we have been blessed by the Lord and are trying to get our church completed for worship. —Lacy A. Harless, 1903 Englewood Ave., Akron, Ohio.

COVER PICTURE

This beautiful vari-colored brick building, occupied by the Benton, Illinois Church of God since last December, was built through the sacrificial efforts of the people at Benton as they were blessed mightily by the Great Giver of all good gifts. It is 48 feet wide and 74 feet long and has an auditorium normally seating approximately 500, with art glass windows in a true gothic art. The transoms over the front doors are made of art glass, also, with the name of the church built in them. It contains a pastor's study, literature room and library, full daylight basement with steel sash French windows, nine Sunday School rooms, two rest rooms, a furnace room, and a ten-foot-wide hallway for basket dinners, etc. The building

has elevated hardwood floors and the latest type of fluorescent lighting and a corner tower, on top of which is an eight-foot neon sign reading "JESUS SAVES," which can be seen for quite some distance. Ornamental wrought iron banisters are being ordered for the front porch and another set of steps is yet to be built, which will add much to the beauty of the building.

This structure has been variously appraised by several competent contractors at \$50,000 to \$60,000. I have studied the cost of other buildings and know that these estimates are about right when a contract is let, but in order to encourage other churches who might feel they can't afford a new building, I am going to state the actual

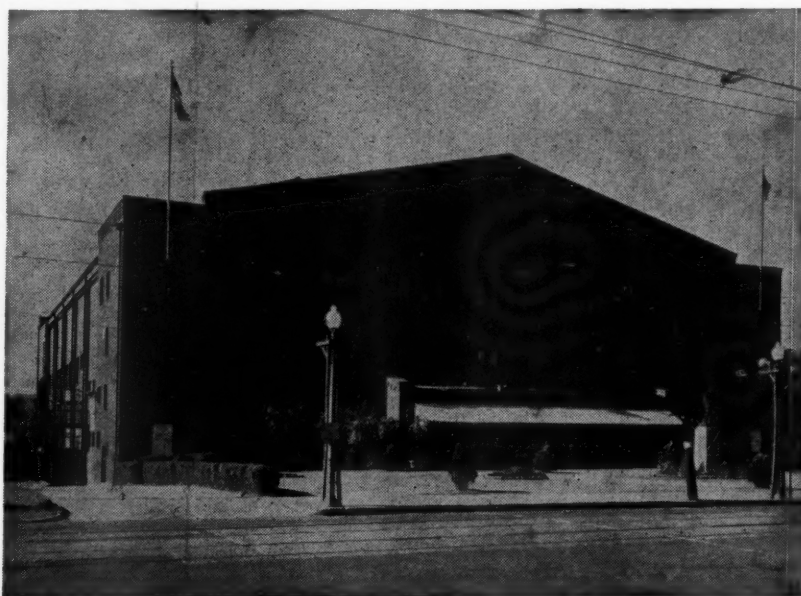
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Do You Plan to Attend the 1948 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

which will be held in

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August 28, 7:30 p.m., to the 31st, 4:30 p.m.?



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SOME THINGS WE ARE DOING AT THE CHURCH OF GOD PUBLISHING HOUSE

We prepare and ship 3,718,000 pieces of Sunday School literature, not including card sets. We also prepare and ship 612,000 *Lighted Pathways*, a youth magazine of 24 pages. We publish and mail 1,050,000 16-page weekly church magazines, the *Church of God Evangel*. Added to this is another 50,000 copies of *Macedonian Call*, our missionary magazine of 36 pages. For Sunday School workers, we publish and distribute 60,000 Sunday School bulletins. In the interest of various states, we publish 302,000 4- and 8-page papers. For Bob Jones University, we print and mail 416,000 copies of *Fellowship News*. Tennessee Music and Printing Company, a subsidiary, publishes about 125,000 song books annually. We publish about 100,000 books and booklets of various sizes, titles, etc., besides millions of tracts. We do commercial printing of all kinds, including college and high school annuals and catalogs.

Beginning immediately, we will publish Sunday School literature in Spanish, for all Spanish-speaking Latin American countries. We will also publish evangelistic periodicals, tracts, and song books in Spanish.

Employees' salaries of the Publishing House and general offices aggregate \$181,000 annually. The Publishing House and general offices employees number about 100. The annual turnover from Publishing House sales and other monies received at headquarters totals \$1,250,000 annually.

Within the last two years, we have installed two new Major Miller automatic printing presses, one Miller Simplex automatic press, one Kelly-C automatic press, two new automatic Baum folders, also one Speedamat addressing system. Installation of another Linotype will shortly be made, to further assist in production of Spanish literature.

We have outgrown our present plant and something must be done within the very near future to relieve overcrowded conditions in the production plant and offices. Plans have been drawn for a five-story publishing plant and office building, fronting on Broad Street opposite the Post Office and cornering on Court House Square.

We plan to install bookbinding and photo engraving equipment in the near future.

VIEWS OF EMINENT AUTHORITIES ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN JUVENILE DELINQUENCY AND CIGARETTES

"In every instance of juvenile delinquency in this court, I have found that the boys were cigarette users."—Judge B. S. Shaw of Hart, Michigan.

"I am sure cigarettes are destroying and making criminals of more boys than liquor. Manliness and good conduct can be aroused and stimulated in most boys, no matter what the offense of which they have been guilty, if they are not cigarette fiends. We have found that when a boy is guilty of a grievous offense, he is generally found to be a user of cigarettes."—Hon. George Torrence, former Superintendent of the Illinois State Penitentiary.

"I commend Mr. Ford, Mr. Edison and all people who join them in efforts to curtail or restrict, obliterate or destroy the pernicious habit of cigarette smoking. The use of cigarettes is making inroads on the strength of the nerves

of all who smoke them, especially boys of tender years or women who smoke them because they think that the practice is smart."—Dr. Harvey W. Wiley.

"Let every adolescent be assured that the cigarette habit is going to prove a handicap in his studies in high school and college. The use of tobacco will cut down your grades. Scholarship always suffers when a girl or boy contracts the tobacco habit. Scholarship and tobacco do not belong together.

"Of recent years a thorough investigation along this line was carried out in two hundred and six schools in the Middle Western States," says Prof. M. N. O'Shea, director of the investigation, who sent out the questionnaire:

"One cannot go over reports from these two hundred and six schools without forming the conviction that tobacco is either directly or indirectly playing a tragic role in the high schools. The principals and faculties who co-operated in making this investigation are well-trained persons. They are probably not as much inclined as most people to form hasty, superficial conclusions in respect to so important a matter as the forces that are operating against the success of their efforts in the schoolroom. . . . When a pupil begins the use of tobacco, the chances are that his intellectual work will decline in comparison with that of one who abstains from tobacco."—Belle Wood-Comstock, M. D.

DEFINITION OF A CRUSADER

He has a mind, and he knows it;
He has a will, and shows it;
He sees his way, and goes it;
He draws a line, and toes it.
He has a chance, and takes it,
A friendly hand and shakes it,
A rule, and never breaks it.
If there's no time, he makes it,
He loves the truth, stands by it,
Nor ever tries to shy it,
Whoever may deny it, or openly defy it.
He hears a lie, and slays it;
He owes a debt and pays it;
And, as I've heard him phrase it,
He knows the game, and plays it.
He sees the path Christ trod,
And grips the hand of God.

—Mrs. H. T.

MINISTERS WANT NO SALARIES FROM STATE, PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Dr. Joseph Krenek, President of the Church of the Czech Brethren, has warned Protestant church officials against taking salaries from the state. It is obvious that if the state employs the ministers they will later control the church building, funds, and employees. The Protestant churches want to minister their own funds for church buildings. There is a fight the world over to keep the church and state separated. This has been violated in America by the sending of Myron C. Taylor as a personal representative of the President to the Vatican. Protests from conventions all over America have gone to the President, but as yet he has done nothing about it.

Is America To Be a Secular State?

Can It Be Neutral Toward God and the Bible?

SOME Christian leaders are saying that the solution for the problem proposed by the Supreme Court's decision is to stir up the churches and the Sunday Schools to be more diligent in teaching children the truths concerning Christ. Others believe it will be a great incentive for the spread of the Christian school movement in America. These conclusions are true, but they altogether miss the most important question involved and that is *whether America is to be a secular state, attempting to be neutral with regard to God and the Bible.* Are we to relegate to the churches and the home all religious things and thus declare to the child that real education carried on in the school not only does not need God, but must exclude God? It is a matter of fact that America has been built upon the Bible and upon a belief in a personal God. This means that America is not a secular state, as France has been from the French Revolution till the last war. America is not a Mohammedan state as Turkey is. America is not a Jewish state, as Palestine would be if turned over to the Jews. The five million Jews in America have the greatest freedom and blessing under the American flag that they have ever enjoyed. But this does not mean that the Jews can veto the Christian foundations of America, either in the public schools or elsewhere. Otherwise, they might protest the general observance of Sunday as the rest day. They might insist on Saturday. They have no legal or moral right to protest the use of the New Testament in the schools. This is not merely because there are 85 million Christian church members in America and only 5 million Jews out of 145 million people. It goes deeper than majorities. It goes back to the foundation principles of our nation.

Roman Catholic Control Means Tyranny

Again, it should be clearly understood that this is a Protestant nation as over against a Roman Catholic nation. This question has not to do with the doctrines of the Catholic Church with regard to a personal God, the trinity, salvation through Jesus Christ,

Fifty-six years ago the Supreme Court declared "that this is a Christian nation." It was founded on Bible principles; our coins still bear the words, "In God We Trust"; and there is a godly remnant in America. Doubtless thousands of professing Christians are resting complacently on their forefathers' reputation and faith, and their own lightly held church membership, and crime and lawlessness have increased. But to ban the Bible now from our educational system would be to remove the cornerstone from our already damaged foundations. In this article Dr. McQuilkin discusses further the problem of Bible instruction in the public schools and brings to bear upon it recent United States history. It is the third in his series on "The Supreme Court and the Atheist," which will be concluded next week.

By **ROBERT C. MCQUILKIN, D. D.**
President of Columbia Bible College

the Supreme Court decision carried to its logical end.

and other fundamental doctrines which the Catholics hold in common with all other Christians. It has to do with the fact that the fundamental law of the Roman Catholic Church directly contravenes the fundamental law of the United States of America. American law requires the separation of church and state. The Catholic law declares that this is not only a great heresy, but the cause of all the ills that nations have. Wherever the Catholics can get control of the religion of a state, it means absolute religious tyranny. This is not a matter of theory, but of practice. Many South American countries are now in a death struggle to break away from this tyranny of a Roman Catholic dominated state. In parts of Canada the battle for religious liberty has been lost when the Catholics have gained control. There are patriotic Catholics and liberal-minded Catholics who really favor the American way, and would not be among those who take away religious liberty, but we are speaking here of the fundamental law of the Roman Catholic Church. There is also the further fact that the Roman Catholic Church is a powerful political organization. There is a Catholic state at the Vatican, which is a Catholic state as well as a church. All of these facts indicate that one of our greatest battles for American freedom is the battle against these Roman Catholic doctrines and practices which would destroy our liberty.

Is this problem to be solved by seeking to make the government neutral with regard to God and the Bible? Are we to oblige the Catholic leaders who want to keep the Bible and religion completely out of American education, and thus declare that education to be godless? This would be the effect of

Mohammedanism is not a religious sect. It is a religion. Mohammedanism contains various sects, some of which differ radically from the others. In the same way Judaism is not a sect of religion; it is a religion. There have been among the Jews various sects. In the same way Christianity is not a sect. It is true, revealed religion, and it is the religion of America. (We are using "religion" here in the popular sense; strictly speaking, Christianity is not a "religion" and still less "one of the religions.") It is popularly divided into two broad divisions, Protestants with perhaps over 200 sects, and the Roman Catholics as one great world-wide system. Now we may say that on 97 per cent of the great teachings the Protestant sects agree. We cannot include the Catholic Church as one of the sects, and because of this the temptation has been to call Protestantism as a whole a sect, as over against Catholicism. It is a very simple matter to get the common denominator of Christianity as represented by the Protestant sects, but the difficulty with regard to the Roman Catholic Church is that what Protestants and other Americans would regard as distinctly sectarian teachings are regarded by the Catholic Church as of the essence of Christianity. There is the added difficulty of their view of the church and state, which is not in the class of a religious doctrine that they have the perfect liberty to hold, but is in the class of a doctrine that is contrary to the foundations of the American government. We conclude therefore, that the religion of America is "Christianity," interpreted as including those things on which all Christians agree; or we face the alternative that there is no such thing as "Christianity," but only various religious bodies or religious sects,

none of which should have anything to do with public education in America. This is real "secularism," and it can only be practical atheism. Whatever legal words are wrapped around the description of democracy and morality and whatever religious flavor is given to education in our public schools, the result in the life of the children will be always what the result is when God is left out and when no divine sanction is given to moral precepts.

"This Is a Christian Nation"

In the famous case of *Trinity Church*, decided by the Supreme Court, February 29, 1892, the Court decided that the church had the right to employ a rector from England, even though a lower court had decided that this was contrary to the letter of the regulation concerning the importation of aliens under contract to perform labor. The Supreme Court in their opinion gave a lengthy statement which climaxed in the words: "These and many other matters which might be noticed add a volume of unofficial declarations to the mass of organic utterances that this is a Christian nation." The Court added, "In the face of all these, shall it be believed that a Congress of the United States intended to make it a misdemeanor for a church of this country to contract for the services of a Christian minister residing in another nation?" Their opinion quoted from the constitutions of several states: "If we examine the constitutions of the various states we find in them a constant recognition of religious obligations." They quoted the constitution of Mississippi as stating: "No person who denies the being of a God, or a future state of rewards and punishments, shall hold any office in the civil department of this state. . . . Religion, morality, and knowledge being necessary to good government, the preservation of liberty, and the happiness of mankind, schools, and the means of education shall forever be encouraged in this state." Another statement of the Supreme Court opinion: "It is also said and truly, that the Christian religion is a part of the common law of Pennsylvania."

Grave Dangers of Atheistic Leadership

How far do these declarations of the Supreme Court, which have been repeated a thousand times in the opinions of lower courts in the pronouncements of our greatest American leaders, accord with the reasonings of the

recent Supreme Court decision? Or shall we put it this way, "How far do they accord with giving atheists rights that are equal in the matter of religious beliefs with the fundamental Christian basis of America?" The issue is a clear-cut issue between turning our Christian state into a secular state, giving liberty to various churches to hold whatever views they want, but making a fence or an iron curtain between government and all that is concerned with religion. I do not believe that the Supreme Court justices intended this. It is simply pointed out that there are these grave dangers of supporting the atheistic leadership of a number of our higher educational institutions.

For a hundred years the textbooks of American schools were based on the Bible, and took for granted these common teachings. Today we find these religious and moral textbooks eliminated. In their place we have textbooks presenting to the children the crudest theories of evolution as facts. The great scientists (not religious leaders) declare that these theories of evolution have never been proved, but they are presented in our schoolbooks in a way that makes the child believe not only that they are facts, but that they contradict the Bible.

A number of Christian leaders have declared that the Supreme Court decision will give them a ground for excluding atheistic teachings from the public schools. They declare that if the Bible and Christian teachings are to be excluded, then we have a right to exclude atheism. But there is grave danger here that we will be admitting that atheism has the same right as Christianity in America. It is to be deplored that this very idea might be gained from the Supreme Court decision. The fact is that an atheist, as an American citizen, has all the civil rights of another citizen. But does he have the right to veto everything in America that might contradict his atheism?

America is waking up today to the fact that Communism is an enemy. We have free speech, but we do not think that this free speech includes the propagation of Communism that would destroy American life. Atheism is not the basis of American life. But this tragic thing has happened that our atheistic philosophers, like John Dewey of Columbia, have had tremendous influence in teaching as science a secular antiscience philosophy of education. Dr. J. Oliver

Buswell in an able article published in *The Sunday School Times* (Feb. 14, 1948) describes the convention of educators met in honor of Dr. Bode, who teaches that there is no divine sanction for moral laws. He teaches that all supernaturalism should be ruled out of education. He teaches that we must do away with authority in the matter of morals. He meant by that divine authority. He excluded God on the ground that we should exclude all authority. He declared that morals are based on "social expediency." Dr. Buswell asked him if "social expediency" would not then be an authority. He laughed the question off. He could not answer it. There is no answer to it. These men are utterly unscientific in their basis of education, and yet this atheistic, secular education has been subtly controlling things in several of our universities and in our schools. Christians have been asleep. The Supreme Court decision on the one hand is the greatest support that the atheistic philosophy of education has ever had in America. On the other hand, let us pray that it may awaken Christians to see that the menace of Modernism, Catholicism, and other evils is not to be compared with the menace of a secular state and of an atheistic educational system.

Has Any Individual the Veto?

Another fallacy encouraged by the Supreme Court's reasoning is that an atheist or a Jew or any individual in America has the veto. Let a school go forward with chapel exercises, including prayer, the reading of the Bible, the giving of spiritual messages. If no one objects it is quite all right. The superintendent may put in a course in Bible and have it taught in a non-sectarian way. If there are no objections it goes forward, bringing the blessing that always comes from the presenting of the Bible and Christian truths. But let one Jew or one atheist protest and nearly all the school authorities will suppose that he has the law on his side, and that we must have nothing in the public schools to which an atheist or a Jew would object. Those things which are to common sense great absurdities, and things which contradict every fundamental foundation of America, may nevertheless appear to have some reason when they are argued from a so-called legalistic viewpoint.

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National *and* International Radio Program

BY THE EDITOR

Lutheran Hour Adds West Indies and Africa

NEW YORK—The Lutheran Hour radio program announced here that it will soon be heard over five additional stations in Martinique, Madagascar and Ethiopia..

These additions will bring to forty-six the countries and territories outside the U. S. which hear the Lutheran Hour, broadcast every Sunday.

Dr. Walter A. Maier, of St. Louis, a dynamic personality of the "Lutheran Hour," which is now international in scope (46 countries and territories), is sending a message to the multiplied millions of earth today.

Dr. Charles E. Fuller, Los Angeles, with the "Old-Fashioned Revival Hour," nation-wide broadcast over regional networks and independent stations, likewise is preaching daily to many millions. The Assemblies of God, Springfield, Mo., with their national radio hour, "Sermons in Song," is doing a splendid work. Rev. Thomas F. Zimmerman is giving full time to this work, and is doing an outstanding job. They won two national awards this year. At the sixth annual convention of the National Association of Evangelicals in Chicago (May 3-6, 1948), through the NAE's Radio Commission and the National Religious Broadcasters, Inc., under the direction of Dr. Theodore H. Elsner, president, awards were given to the winners as following:

"Best all-round broadcast—tie for first place, 'Light and Life Hour' (Free Methodist), and the 'Sermons in Song' (Assemblies of God); novel technique—'Quizspiration,' Dale Crowley; youth program—'The Fellowship Hour' (Bob Jones University); children's program—'Gospel Rockets' (Assemblies of God)."—N.E.A.

Dr. T. W. Willingham, head of the Nazarene Radio League, is also doing a great work in religious broadcasting.

Our efforts in the electrical transcriptions a few years ago are still be-

ing used by many of our ministers, especially the songs by the quartets and choirs which are designed to meet their needs. These songs were prepared by some of the best singers in the South.

While our national radio broadcasting efforts over Station XERF, Del Rio, Texas, last April a year ago, potentially reached millions of people, they were, however rather short-lived because of the lack of finance and adequate program facilities.

It is still my opinion that a national and, at the earliest moment possible, an international radio program, including net works, well managed un-

der those especially qualified in radio technique and really interested in this field of the ministry, could do a marvelous work of God.

To sponsor such a program there are a number of things that must be considered. Some essentials are absolutely necessary. First, it will take finance for some time, eventually the program could be made self-supporting. It will require a qualified, consecrated personnel, who, with intelligent persistence and patience, will continue the noble work for many, many years. In fact, I believe this work should continue to grow until Jesus returns.

We have a number of ministers who have been broadcasting regularly for many years. There are two ministers in Birmingham, Ala., Brothers Frank Johnson and Carl T. Douglas, who neither claim any special talents as ministers or radio artists, and if they have any lead, it seems to me it must be persistency, who have, with sincerity, brought the gospel message in its simplicity and broadcast songs that have reached and won the hearts of

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Rev. Frank Johnson at the microphone



Announcing . . .

Opening of the 1948-'49 Term

LEE COLLEGE

SEPTEMBER 6, 1948

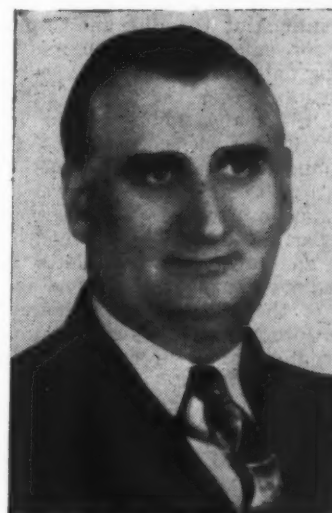
This last school term was one of its most progressive and successful terms. Though the student body was not the largest in the history of the School, the scholastic standing has been definitely raised. The School is much better organized and higher academic standards have been realized. The plan is to constantly improve every department.

Much of the credit for both financial and other achievements goes to the one who has served as president for the last three years, Rev. E. L. Simmons. He is recognized as one of the most progressive men of the Church. Sharing the honors of achievement with Mr. Simmons, and one who has contributed greatly to the academic standard of the College, is the dean, Rev. E. M. Tapley. Mr. Tapley received his Master's degree at Peabody College and has proved himself a good administrator and educational leader. He is highly respected by the faculty and student body.

The Reverend Simmons notified the Board some months ago that he did not care to serve as president longer than this year. Therefore, it became the duty of the Board of Directors to elect another president. They feel that they are fortunate to secure the services of Rev. John C. Jernigan for this important place, so he is now president-elect. The Reverend Jernigan is finishing his fourth year as General Overseer and since the term of this office is limited, he would not be eligible to serve in that capacity for the ensuing Assembly year. He is a man of strong personality and long years of experience in leadership and administration. I am sure he will make a

definite contribution to our College. We are expecting the greatest term and largest attendance next year that we have ever had in the history of the School.

Another member of the Administration Council of the College is the principal of the high school. There is no question that Lee College has one of the most efficient directors of high-school activities to be found anywhere. This capable person is none other than Mrs. Mary Elizabeth (Harrison) Green. Her moral integrity, professional ability, and cooperative attitude have always contributed much to the successful program of the School. We have the best faculty we have ever had. Time and space will not permit a complimentary mention of each of our fine teachers, both men and women.



John C. Jernigan

Summer Term

The School has had by far the largest attendance for the summer term of any past year. Besides the regular academic courses offered in the other divisions, the Junior College is offering a workshop for elementary teachers and we have had fifty-one teachers from Bradley and adjoining counties taking that course. This course has been approved by the State Department of education and will probably be offered again from summer to summer. Thanks to Dean Tapley for this achievement.

BETTER MAKE YOUR PLANS TO ATTEND NEXT TERM. DON'T LET ANYTHING KEEP YOU AWAY. WRITE FOR CATALOGUE TODAY. FILL OUT AN APPLICATION BLANK AND MAIL IT TO LEE COLLEGE.

—U. D. Tidwell, Chairman
Board of Directors.

The Church has built a school for our Christian youth. We believe it is to be one of the most unusual schools in the world. It offers high academic standards and at the same time deep spirituality and consecration. Lee College is three schools in one: Religious Education, High School, and Junior College; it also offers a business course.

The Government will pay the tuition and buy books for the veterans of the last war and also give them a salary while in school. Young man, you cannot afford to miss this opportunity that is offered you only once in life.

Write Lee College, Cleveland, Tennessee, for a catalogue that will give you full particulars.—John C. Jernigan, General Overseer.

General Overseer's

In our state convention and camp meeting work we have tried to be fair with all states and visit the weaker ones, making no difference between them and the strong states.

In arranging my state convention schedule for this season, I found that there were twelve states having conventions or camp meetings that I had not attended since serving in my present position, and most of the respective state overseers were insisting that I attend their conventions. As our custom has been, we asked the state overseers to set the dates for their conventions at the time most suited and convenient to their people. In setting dates for camp meetings and conventions over the United States, there are many things to take into consideration: the schools, crops, seasons and temperature, and sometimes traditions. Coincidentally, all twelve of the state overseers setting their own dates arranged them for the month of June and July, yet at such dates that it was possible for me to attend every one of them. There were, however, some inconveniences caused by much travel and passing through some states two or three times.

The first of June, as I considered the great amount of work to be done during the next three months, I could hardly see how it was possible to get the job done. It would mean 11,000 miles of travel, one week with the Council of Twelve, four days with the Bishops' Council, then through the General Assembly, during which time the Appointing Board would have much work, together with several other board and committee meetings, this all supplemented with the daily responsibilities and much mail to be answered. To get all this work done in three months, I realized it would take much organization and conserving of time, with plenty of hard work and energy. To keep up the correspondence and other office duties, we left one secretary, Sister Ruth Roberts, in the office, and Sister Jernigan, who works with me, also, got in the little red Ford with our portable office, and traveled with me, leaving Ruth a schedule to send our mail daily. The traveling was divided into three trips, and sometimes from one convention to another

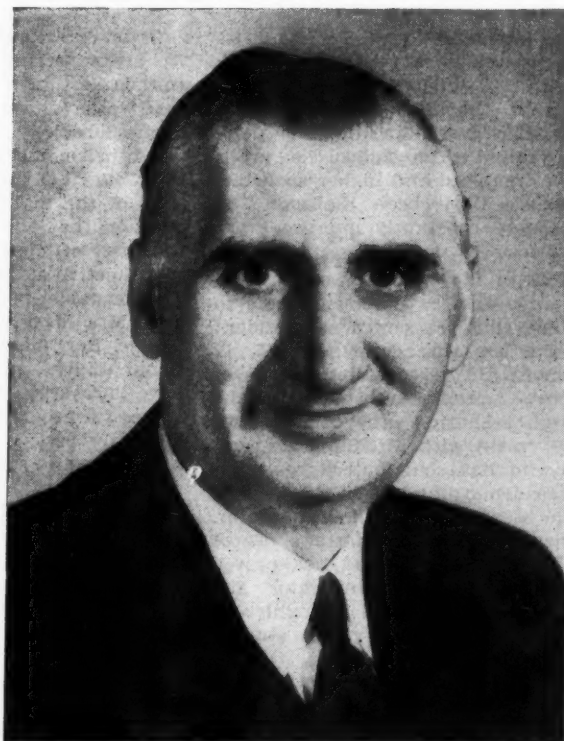
was more than 1,000 miles. When I'd think of those long, hot roads I would often feel a little pessimistic, and have said, "I don't see how it can be done." But with faith in God, confidence in the little red Ford, and two hundred pounds of energy and love for the Church of God, we challenged the task.

Thank God, at this writing the two first trips, which were the longest and hardest, are already over, and I

Church of God who were still holding the fort and living loyal to God and the Church.

We were there for the first three nights of the camp meeting. Brother E. M. Ellis was the evangelist and was doing a good job. The last night we heard him preach he seemed to be lost under the anointing and preached as I had never seen Brother Ellis preach before. Sitting by Sister Jernigan, I turned to her and said, "Is that

Rev.
John C. Jernigan,
General Overseer



am now in the office, with all of our work very well caught up and ready to attend another convention tomorrow that was not in our schedule and to be in West Virginia the next day for their state convention.

OUR FIRST CAMP MEETING WAS WEATHERFORD, TEXAS

Nineteen years ago I pastored this church and had not been back since. It was indeed a great pleasure to Sister Jernigan and me to meet many of our old friends and members of the

E. M. Ellis preaching?" It was a most marvelous sermon, and many people were moved to seek God.

E. O. Kerce, state overseer of Texas, seemed to be highly encouraged, and justly so for God had undoubtedly given the great Lone Star State the best year in the history of the Church.

OHIO CAMP MEETING

From Texas we headed the red Ford back in a northeasterly direction toward Lancaster, Ohio, arriving a few hours ahead of schedule. We

Convention Reports

found Brother J. L. Goins, state overseer, with a large group of the Ohio ministers and laymen on the Methodist Campground near Lancaster, in the midst of a great camp meeting. They were very fortunate to have as their guest speakers Brother Earl Paulk as evangelist and Brother R. P. Johnson as an inspirational speaker to the ministers and laymen during the day services. These two men of God were doing some marvelous preaching and I don't believe I have ever seen Brother Goins in any higher spirits and more encouraged in his work. Ohio is a great state, and the Church of God is moving forward under the leadership of a fine group of ministers.

MICHIGAN STATE CONVENTION

From Ohio we motored to Pontiac, Michigan, and found a large group of God's people assembled in a big public tabernacle in the heart of that business city. We were royally entertained in the home of the Pontiac pastor, T. L. Forester.

I was amazed at the large crowds of Church of God ministers and laymen who attended this wonderful convention. Brother Houston R. Morehead, overseer of this great automobile-manufacturing state, knew exactly how to work with God and the people to make the state convention a success. As in the other two conventions, great unity and fellowship was prevailing among the workers, and everyone seemed to be encouraged. Michigan has some fine churches and a group of strong pastors.

FLORIDA CAMP MEETING

Strange as it may seem, after being state overseer in Florida three years and in charge of the camp meeting, we had not attended the last three. This year I promised the state overseer to attend the camp meeting. We left Michigan, came by the office and worked for a few hours then headed the red Ford straight south to Wimauma, Florida.

The Wimauma camp meeting is one of the oldest in the Church of God and has for many years, without question, been the outstanding and greatest camp meeting in the Church

of God. The ministers and laity in the State of Florida love their camp meeting, and they sacrifice to make it a success. They have fifteen acres of land that is almost covered with the tabernacle and cottages. There are possibly between 150 and 200 buildings on the grounds, including a fifty-room dormitory. The grounds are always filled with extra tents and house-trailers, and the near-by homes and tourist camps are always filled to their capacity. When I was state overseer I called it the "Holy City," and indeed you would often think of heaven when you heard the Wimauma camp meeting choir sing.

W. E. Johnson, state overseer, in his mild and diplomatic way, was carrying on the camp meeting very efficiently. From the last camp meeting, twelve months ago, the State of Florida had a net gain of 1,199 members, which is indeed evidence of successful evangelistic efforts. Everyone in general seemed to think it was the greatest camp meeting that had ever been conducted in Wimauma, yet some of the old veterans, like our dear Brother J. A. Self, remembered one camp meeting when 150 people received the baptism with the Holy Ghost; but he said to me, "In many ways this is the greatest camp meeting that has ever been here." Brother Self, a former overseer of Florida, is a precious, sweet man and always cooperates one hundred per cent with his state overseer. Brother Johnson is appreciated and in the last four years has done a very fine work. Evangelist Ray Hughes was the camp meeting speaker and was doing some of the best evangelistic preaching I have ever heard.

IOWA

Our next camp meeting was in Jefferson, Iowa. On our way from Wimauma, Florida, we stopped in Chicago to make reservations and final arrangements for the proposed meeting of the leaders of the major Pentecostal movements, which is to meet August 3 and 4 to discuss the possibility of an association and working agreement among us. From Chicago we motored to Jefferson, Iowa, and found the camp meeting already

in full swing. I attended the Iowa camp meeting last year but found it convenient to stop over briefly with them again. H. O. Harris, state overseer, was at his best and was carrying on in a good way. All the ministers seemed to be working with him, and unity and love prevailed among the workers. Brother Glenn Pettyjohn, overseer of Central Canada, was the night speaker, and I want to say to you United States ministers that this Canadian can certainly preach the gospel.

KANSAS

Our next camp meeting was in Coffeyville, Kansas, where the state overseer, Brother W. E. Dowdy, had secured the city park, with its facilities, for this great meeting. About half of the state's membership was present, and they had a great camp meeting. To see Brother Dowdy in action would remind you of those about whom John was talking when he said God called young men because they were strong and the Word of God abode in them. He is not only strong physically, but in faith and perseverance. This was not the biggest camp meeting we were in, but it was one of the very best. Of all the special singing I have heard in conventions this year, I would give the blue ribbon to Brothers Woolwine and Jones, who sing together.

NEW MEXICO

From Coffeyville, Kansas, we started traveling west, bearing a little to the south; but the little red Ford did not do so well on this trip. The motor ran hot and we had considerable trouble. After twenty hours of driving and humoring the Ford, we rolled up 687 miles and finally parked in front of the local parsonage in Roswell, New Mexico, where my son Fred lives and pastors the church. Here we had two or three days to catch up with our office work and get a little relaxation, which was very much needed.

Brother Bascom Stanley is the overseer of New Mexico and had employed the able services of Brother Luther Turner as camp meeting evangelist. Brother Turner preached wonderful sermons with glorious results. New Mexico is making rapid progress. For

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Foreign Missions

All the World—
Every Creature



J. STEWART BRINSFIELD
Executive Missions Secretary

Our dear Brother Brinsfield,

Greetings to you and your fine staff on this our first Lord's day in this place.

We arrived here aboard the Utila Super-liner, the "Victory," last Wednesday evening about four o'clock, hot, soaking wet, and salt crusted. We were given a kind reception by Reverend Cooper, his wife, and a number of the church folk. There was no one to bid us adieu in New Orleans and none to greet us in Cuba, but we were cheered when we were met and greeted here.

At the present we are in the home of the pastor's daughter. We have a nice room on the sunny side of the house, where, in the afternoon and early night, it is quite too hot to either rest or sleep. At the moment we are sitting on the back porch and getting the refreshing advantage of a welcomed east wind. From where I sit, I can count some seven or eight island fruits. They say most of them are edible, but so far we've been unable to make an amiable acquaintance with most of them. These negro children seldom go to the table for a regular meal, but subsist on mangoes, bread-fruit, coconuts, berries, bananas, plaintains, avacoda pears, etc. Maybe we will catch on soon.

In all seriousness, we are happy to be here. The people have given us a royal welcome, and as they understand we are here to conduct a school for them, they are overjoyed. There was some considerable prejudice and lack of good will shown in the public school meeting called for last Friday night. The men of the town refused to come into the house. The pastor had called the meeting in order that all of those interested might express themselves regarding the school. Friday night's meeting was adjourned and called for Saturday night. All day the town was really astir, and last night they were all there and ready

to do business in a business-like manner. By a majority opinion, the people desired to contribute free-will sums to get the school started. The amount pledged was \$221 in cash, less 52 lempiras allowed for labor. The influential men were then eager to know what kind of an open contract we would make regarding our compensation to operate the school on a full-time basis. They refused to consider the proposition further until they knew what we would expect. I then set the fee at \$1.50 for grades one and two and \$2.00 for higher grades. This would be monthly tuition, payable in advance. This was agreed to heartily, though a number thought the price too cheap. There were about forty to fifty children who were to be sent here, though once in operation the number may be more.

We find the problems to be many. The children are unquestionably below the average in learning, but not in intelligence. They are very capable. The island has produced many notable minds and men famous for their ability in the United States. The lack has been one of opportunity. They feel that we are the last knock at opportunity's door for them. They are eager that the school be put in operation at once, and they pledge its maintenance by their support. From all appearance, it will be necessary to have some night and late afternoon classes for above-school-age groups. It is truly amazing to see every piece of Sunday School literature being read from cover to cover, when in our home churches the papers are often just cast aside.

We are certainly in need of a good hand-crank mimeograph machine with plenty of supplies. We need a typewriter, also, and supplies. The only typewriter here is thirty years old and has been used until it is no more good. A great need is for a small library of general reading ma-

terial, including some current magazines of news value, history research, etc. Nothing is seen here except the *Reader's Digest*. There are no newspapers. Mail goes out only on Mondays unless a special trip is made.

Brother Brinsfield, I realize we called on you for a great deal of money. I hated to do it. Our expenses were even greater by far than was anticipated. We economized in every way we knew how. However, it is a good thing that we have the few things that we have, for there is nothing to be bought here except a few canned goods at triple prices and some yard goods at similar prices. There is almost no food here and not the least refrigeration. I plan to have an ice box built and keep ice even at a cost of \$1.00 per 100 pounds. Also, I must report to the United States consul and governor of the Bay Islands. We think everything is thoroughly in the clear about the school. We have the decreto of which Brother Cooper sent you a copy, giving us permanent permission for the school.

If you could secure the aid of Brother Tapley, Sister Myers, or Sister Green there to select a suitable educational program and send appropriate books for each grade one through five (only one book for each course), it would aid us greatly. We can return the price of the books to you from the fund raised last night. We trust you will be able to help us in this respect at once. We have absolutely nothing to begin with in the way of elementary books. Maps are needed, also.

May we hear from you soon. We thank you for every kindness, and desire to be remembered in prayer.—Sincerely yours, O'Neil and Inez McCullough.

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 My complete healing.—O. F. Young, Rummerfield, Pa.
 My little granddaughter to be healed of a breaking out on her face.—Mrs. Victoria Warner, Clifty, Tenn.
 My husband, who has to be operated on. The doctor thinks he has a tumor or cancer on his lung.—Evelyn Cressa, Clopslint, Ky.
 A very special request; my husband to be saved and healed; my boys to be saved.—A Sister, Columbia, S. C.
 The healing of my body; my mother, who is nearly blind in one eye.—Vannice Seymore, Winnsboro, La.
 My sister-in-law to be healed of cancer of the stomach; me to be healed.—Marie Battin, Rock Island, Ill.
 My son-in-law; my little girl to be saved; my body to be healed.—Mrs. Alta Martin, Greenville, S. C.

A very urgent request.—Clon Payton, Indianapolis, Ind.

The work at this place, that the church will live and grow and people will see the light of an uplifted standard.—B. Smith, Guion, Ark.

My body.—Mannie Walker.

My body to be healed; my husband to be saved; me to receive the Holy Ghost; two unspoken requests.—Mrs. Broadus Hall, Walthalla, S. C.

God to make a change in my home and deliver my husband from the drink habit.—A Reader.

My complete healing; the Lord to heal my boy's body.—Belle Hudgins, Griffin, Ga.

The healing of my body; the Lord to satisfy my soul with the baptism of the Holy Ghost; the saving of my children.—Mrs. Ruth Salyer, Kingsport, Tenn.

Us, as our home burned to the ground, in about fifteen minutes.—Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Coldwater, Miss.

My body to be healed.—C. L. Washington, Oakley, Calif.

My husband to be saved.—Sister Norris, Harlowton, Mont.

... RADIO PROGRAM

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their listeners. They have prayed for the lost, sick, and suffering until the public still demands their programs. The people amply supply all the needed finance and, best of all, many hundreds, and I think I could say thousands, have been gloriously saved through their radio ministry. The radio is a most wonderful instrument, which can be used in preaching the gospel in these last days.

While television, of course, is coming, it is not likely, for some time, to be of practical use, because of the lack of trained artists in television technique, the amount of expense involved, and too, the large amount of equipment necessary. Television of church services would be almost impossible, also, because of the disturbance. However, regardless of the difficulties, this field should be explored, for as soon as these television sets are installed in our homes, godless shows and every evil work allowed to pass an ever weakening board of censors will be a problem in the home. But wouldn't it be wonderful if our good old camp meetings could be seen, as well as heard all the way across country! Frankly at this time, this is only wishful thinking and is not possible.

But a national and international program is possible, and we should make it an object of special prayer, organize, select a competent staff, and secure *the man*. God needs a man. Will you join in prayer that God will help us as a church to do what we should in spreading the gospel in these last days?

COVER PICTURE

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cost. The church did its own buying, overseeing, and a large part of the labor, resulting in a total cost of only \$27,000, half of which has already been paid. One man donated about \$1,000 in labor, and many others cooperated wonderfully in making this possible. The L. W. W. B., Sunday School, Y. P. E., general church, and even

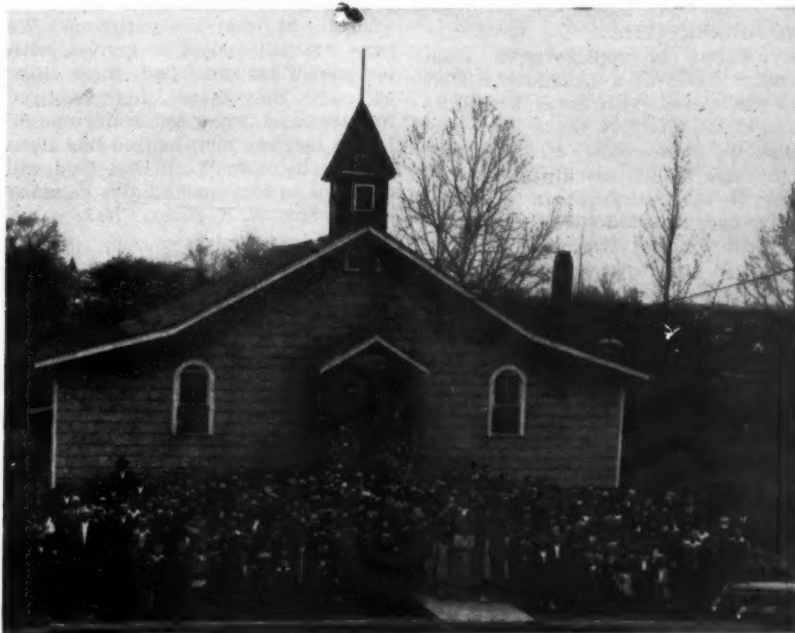
the outside public put their shoulders to the wheel and they haven't quit pushing yet. Most any live, faithful congregation of Church of God people can do the same thing, or possibly better.

We humbly state the following facts and are deeply grateful that God has visited us in such a gracious manner. In the last three years over 100 have been saved, a great many sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, over 80 baptized in water, and 100 added to the church. The membership now stands at 232 and the Sunday School averages about 235. These gains were brought about largely by the cooperation of the good people of Benton who determined to defeat the devil and stand by the Church of God and the following great evangelists who have conducted revivals at Benton during this period: Ray Hughes, Harry Henderson, Harry Kutz, J. Frank Spivey, Mrs. M. P. Cross, Joe Milligan, and Dr. J. M. Baird. The church faces a great future if it will continue to remain humble before the Lord.—Bill Brown, Pastor.

The Great Physician Never Fails

STATESVILLE, N. C.—I praise God for His wonderful healing power. He healed our son of an affliction he had for almost eleven years. Doctors were unable to help him, but, praise God, the Great Physician never fails. Please pray that I will do His blessed will in all things.—Mrs. Russell Byrd.

CHURCH OF GOD, SODDY, TENNESSEE



This picture was taken on Easter Sunday when the Sunday School broke all previous records with three hundred and sixty-two present. They were honored with the presence of Brother and Sister Jernigan. Their offering was \$200. Rev. Marshall Robinson is the pastor.

REVIVALS

CAWOOD, Ky.—We have just closed a great revival. Rev. W. M. Pentecost and wife, of Nashville, were the evangelists. There were thirteen saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, eight added to the church, and eight baptized in water. Brother Pentecost is a very consecrated minister, and his wife is a good altar worker. They are now in Middlesboro, Ky., in another great revival. There were five received the Holy Ghost the first week. Brother Griffin is the pastor.—B. H. Enix, Pastor.

WASHINGTON, N. C.—We had a two and one half weeks' revival at Bear Grass, N. C. It is a new work not yet organized, but a great chance for a church some day. There were three saved, three sanctified, and two filled with the Holy Ghost. God's presence was there in every service and the preaching was fine. Brother Jesse Elmore, of Kinston, did the preaching, and his cousin, James Lee Bell, of Snow Hill, did some wonderful singing.—Mary Hannah.

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.—I am very happy to report news from Hendersonville of a good revival that has just closed, with Sister Mae Putnam, of Mt. Holly, N. C., as the evangelist. We had good crowds every night, and I must say Sister Mae did some of the best holiness preaching I have ever heard. Some of the charter members said this was the best revival in the history of the church.

It has been said that the church was dead and there couldn't be a revival, but praise our dear Lord, it was all a mistake. The church as a whole was greatly blessed, for which we thank our dear Lord. We give Him all the praise. The Holy Ghost was there in every service. We had the Tryon Quartet with us and they did some good singing. Brother Chapel and family, of Brevard, were with us, also Brother Carl Edward Cox, son of Rev. Carl Cox, was with us and brought us a wonderful message in the Y. P. E. He is only twelve years of age.

During the four weeks of our revival there were twenty-eight saved, twenty-four sanctified, fifteen filled

with the Holy Ghost, thirteen added to the church, and seven baptized in water. We had the Lord's Supper and feet washing. How the Lord did bless!

Sister Mae is a good singer, as well as a good preacher. We are very much alive and marching on to greater victory. Pray for us here.—Mrs. W. E. Mullis.

FOUNTAIN INN, S. C.—We have just closed a revival, with Sister Starnes of Greenwood doing the preaching. There were thirteen gloriously saved, six sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, and eight added to the church. The church was greatly strengthened.

Sister Starnes is a consecrated, prayful, and studious minister. She is a young woman, but would be a blessing to your church.—Nettie M. Hanvey, Pastor.

FOREST CITY, N. C.—We are glad to report the progress of the church here. The Lord is blessing and the church is moving forward with new interest in every department. We have recently closed a revival, with ten saved, six sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost, four baptized in water, and two added to the church. In the last two months God has given us this increase. Pray that God will continue to bless us and give us many souls.—Mrs. W. K. Kiser, Clerk.

BUSH, La.—The final report of the revival at Sharpe's Chapel is fifty-four saved, fifty-two sanctified, forty-three filled with the Holy Ghost, and twenty-five united with the church. Many expressed it to be one of the greatest revivals in fifteen years. Sister Daisy Flanagan was the evangelist, and her preaching was of the old-time type, the kind that brings results. Any pastor desiring a good evangelist will do well to get Sister Flanagan for a revival. Her address is Mrs. Daisy Flanagan, 5439 Royal Street, New Orleans, La.—Roy L. Gay.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky.—The revival which just closed here was a great success. The attendance was good and a fine spirit was manifested. The pres-

ence of the Lord was with His people in an old-fashioned way, in the singing, praying and testimonies. Sixteen were saved, nine sanctified, six received the Holy Ghost, ten baptized in water, and six added to the church. Rev. Roy Dagnon of Wallins Creek, Ky., was the evangelist. This was said to be the best revival in two years. The work is growing and doing fine here. We have a large Sunday School. We all love our good pastor and family, E. T. Stacey, who is doing a splendid work, with the church backing him with their prayer.

WHITMIRE, S. C.—We have recently closed a three weeks' revival, with Rev. A. L. Brown, of Woodruff, S. C., as the evangelist. The Lord blessed in a gracious way, with twelve saved, eight sanctified, five baptized with the Holy Ghost, and two added to the church. One night we had a healing service and one brother who had had trouble with his hearing for a year testified to complete healing. Brother Brown is a wonderful preacher and we were greatly blessed by his messages.—Aaron L. Rochester, Clerk.

JEFFERY—We have just closed a very successful revival, with Rev. E. R. Heaton as the evangelist. There were eight saved, eight sanctified, nine baptized with the Holy Ghost, eight baptized in water, and thirteen added to the church. Brother Heaton brought some wonderful messages, and the Spirit of God was free in every service. The power of God was so great that some of the seekers were slain for nearly two hours. We have a good band of saints who are live wires for God. Pray for the church at Jeffery that it will grow by leaps and bounds.—Mrs. Jessis Mae Rose, Pastor.

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Testimonies

Son Healed of Cancer

TWILA, Ky.—I am praising God for His wonderful healing power. They X-rayed my son, Starling Tipton, and found he had a cancer. The doctor said he would begin giving him dope and shots in a few days. I began to pray and fast and requested prayer for him. God wonderfully healed him. He went back to work in the mines, and now he is driving his car on an extended visit to several states. Please pray for him to return home safely. Pray for God to save his soul. I just keep praise in my soul for His mighty healing power.—Mrs. Reney Tipton.

A Sweet Comforter

BLADENBORO, N. C.—I am a Christian, and I really enjoy telling others of what the Christian experience means to me. For nearly eleven years I have been saved. Jesus has been a wonderful Guide and Keeper to me. He sanctified me through the blood and made me stronger to face the trials of life. About a month later I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. He has been such a sweet Comforter during these evil days. If I know my heart I desire to be a blessing to others and stay in the center of God's will.

"Take It to the Lord in Prayer"
When the tempter walks beside you,
Tries to win your precious soul;
Steal away and talk to Jesus,
By His grace you'll reach the goal.
When it seems he almost has you
And you find it hard to pray;
Stand and bid him get behind you,
Then he'll have to flee away.
Fight until life's battle's over
'Til you anchor over there;
Just remember when you're tempted,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

—Macie Carlyle.

God Stayed the Hand of Death

McMINNVILLE, Tenn.—It is through humble obedience to our Lord that I am submitting my testimony to the Evangel. On Sunday night, December 28, 1947, my husband, daughter, sister, brother-in-law, and I were returning home from Phoenix, Ariz. where we had spent Christmas holidays with relatives. We had secured a cabin near Brinkley, Ark. for the night. About

eleven o'clock I took seriously ill. My husband, upon seeing my condition, immediately awakened the others. By that time it seemed that death was seizing my body, and I could feel life leaving me. All the feeling seemed to leave my face and lips; even my chest was so numb. I could scarcely feel my sister's hand as she was rubbing me. I realized I would soon be in eternity if the Lord didn't undertake. They began praying and asking God to spare me. In a few minutes the power of God began to move on my body and brought me out of bed rejoicing and speaking in tongues. That deathly feeling left instantly, but when I lay back down I could feel the hand of death moving upon me again. My blood seemed to quit circulating and my hands and feet were growing so cold. I became very weak. They kept praying until about five o'clock the next morning. I was breathing a prayer to the Lord to let me live to get home once more, as there were some He had laid on my heart to speak to about the Holy Ghost. Then the Lord presented this question to me, "If you live to get home, will you testify through the 'Standard' (our local paper) and 'Church of God Evangel' of how God has spared your life and blessed you?" I said, "Yes, Lord, I will." From that moment I began to get better. May this testimony prove a blessing to all who read it.—Mrs. Albert Glenn.

I Know God Can Heal

CULLMAN, Ala.—I praise God for what He means to me and thank Him for His healing power. He has healed in our home many times. I have trusted Him for about nineteen years. I ask everyone who will to pray for the healing of my body. I have had several spells with my side and stomach and suffer almost all around my waistline. Please pray that I will not have another spell. I know God can heal.—Clyde Holland.

God Specializes in the Impossible

WARE SHOALS, S. C.—Praise our Redeemer! Twenty-two years ago this past February, I became a child of God. During that same revival I was sanctified and received the Holy

Ghost.

I praise God for answering the prayers of His children, in that He has solved our personal problems for us and brought to pass the seemingly impossible. If there is a discouraged person who reads these lines, let me tell you God is still on His throne and He will remember His own. The song says, "God specializes in the impossible," and I can say by personal experience that He does.

I have been a minister of the gospel over twenty years and have been with the church for over fifteen years. My calling is to take the gospel to those who do not and cannot go to church, so I can use all the tracts you care to send me. I am also available for week-end calls.—James O. Campbell, Rt. 1.

Wonderful Healing

FLINT, Mich.—I had two cancers, one on my face and the other on my left limb just above my ankle. Last summer I was confined to my bed four months, three and one half weeks of which I spent in the hospital under special care of a regular doctor and also a specialist. I was released from there with the sad news there was no help at all for me, that I would just have to wait for the end to come. They wanted to amputate my limb at the hip. I would not consent. There never was a moment I was without pain. The Lord sent a wonderful evangelist along to our little Church of God at East Side Flint. This evangelist was our Brother McKaig and his precious little mother. One Saturday evening during our revival we had our healing service. I went to the altar for healing. He anointed me with oil and they prayed the prayer of faith and God heard and answered immediately. I was healed of the cancer on my limb two nights before I was healed of the cancer on my face. I surely praise His precious name. He means so much to me. I do sincerely pray that this feeble testimony will be the means of poor cancer sufferers to have faith in our precious Saviour's healing and trust Him to heal them also.—Mrs. Alice Earegood, 2521 Delaware Ave.

I Know He Can Heal

Praise God! I promised Him if He would heal my heart I would testify of it. He healed my heart, but I have low blood pressure. I know He can heal that too. Please pray for the complete healing of my body.—Mrs. John Sanders.

IS AMERICA TO BE A SECULAR STATE?

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Is Giving In the Solution?

There are great problems and dangers connected with the Bible in public schools. How then shall we solve them? The way that most Christians have been solving these problems is simply to avoid the problems, give in to the atheist or the Jew or the Catholic, or anyone who has an objection. We recognize that there are great problems connected with training children. Shall we solve these problems by deciding not to have any children? There are great problems connected with caring for old people, who are sick in body and sick in mind—a great burden to their loved ones and to the community. The simple solution that some would advocate would be just to kill these old people. Of course, we would not call this murdering them. We would get a gentle, beautiful name—euthanasia—that would indicate that we are relieving them of their suffering.

Here is a government harbor. There are three ships coming in laden with food. One of those ships has good, wholesome food. The other two ships have many articles of good diet also, but they have poison mixed with their food. The government, of course, does not want their people to have any poison mixed with their food. Someone proposes that to solve the dispute between these three companies that are bringing in these three ships, they will exclude all the ships. This solves the problem, but the population starves to death.

Now we have three ships in America. We have the Christian ship, with Bible principles on which America has been built. We have the ship of Catholicism, loaded with poison, from the American point of view—its doctrine concerning the separation of church and state, and its belief that the Roman Catholic Church, for the good of humanity, should be in absolute control of all religion, binding a tyranny upon men. They of course, do not call it tyranny. They call it a blessing because of what they regard as the true teachings of God. There is a third ship called Judaism, which in its orthodox form still clings to the Old Testament and officially rejects Christ as the Messiah. Now the Supreme Court is calling all these ships separate religious sects and says that the government must be entirely separate from them. Therefore, they

exclude them all from the government harbor. The result is that the population is spiritually starved, so far as their American education is concerned.

The Supreme Court seems to close its eyes to the fact that the 85 million people in America, who are professing members of the Christian church, are also citizens of the United States of America. Do they want their children to get a so-called education without God, because it is under the auspices of the government, and they have to be neutral with regard to God? Who is the government? The people of the United States is the government. The Supreme Court is not sovereign. The people are sovereign.

There is then this fallacy in the minds of many that we can be neutral with regard to God. But in the place of God there is proposed another religion, and this new religion is becoming the prevailing American religion. In the March issue of *The Reader's Digest* there was an article entitled, "Shall the Churches Invade the Schools?" The difficulties and dangers of religious teaching in the schools are pointed out. The article was written by a Christian believer. She has the same idea as the Supreme Court justices, namely, that anything connected with the Bible and connected with God is to belong to the churches, and it does not belong to the government and therefore does not belong to education. But she and the Supreme Court justices are unanimous in saying that they must teach morals and ethics and the principles of justice and freedom and love. The solution of this article is to teach "democracy" and "Americanism." This is the story, then. All agree that the blessings of democracy and Americanism have come from the Bible and from Christian principles. Now that we have this great foundation of moral ethical truths, we can leave God and Christ and the Bible outside our

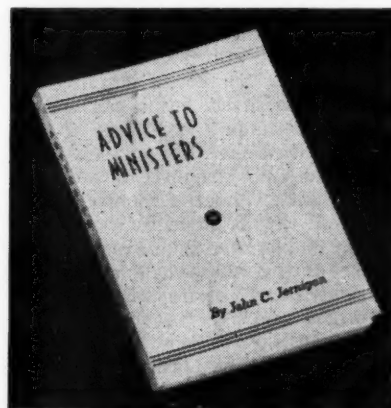
education. In other words, we can take the fruits of the Bible and call them democracy and make it legal to speak of these things in the public schools. This of course, is folly of the worst kind.—Courtesy of *THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TIMES*.

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Jesus said—"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock." Rev. 3:20.



I called to see you today, but you were not at home. I will call again. If there is sickness or sorrow, or any other reason why you would like to have me call, please let me know at once.

I invite you to worship in your church, and to bring others. I not only covet the opportunity to serve you in the pulpit, but ask your prayers so that together we may be able to make the church a real live force in our community.

Faithfully yours,

Pastor

DATE

GENERAL OVERSEER'S CONVENTION REPORTS

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the past two years, the state overseer reported a seventy-one per cent increase in membership, which speaks the success of the overseer and ministers. There has also been much improvement in the local church property. We look forward to the time when we will have a strong work in New Mexico as well as in the other Western States.

OKLAHOMA CAMP MEETING

The Oklahoma camp meeting was at Shawnee, on their thirty-acre campground. Brother L. L. Hughes, state overseer, with his fine group of workers, has purchased this site in the suburbs of the city and erected a tabernacle. We were present for the first service of the camp meeting, and the tabernacle was almost filled. A young man, of whom few of you have ever heard, by the name of David Goff, was the camp meeting speaker. Brother Goff has never seen Happy Tom Brooks, but I would call him a second "Happy Tom." He was doing some marvelous preaching, and God was blessing in a very outstanding way.

The Church of God in Oklahoma has a very bright future. It is well organized and is moving forward very rapidly under the able leadership of the state overseer.

ARKANSAS CAMP MEETING

Our next stop was at Benton, Arkansas, where we found the camp meeting in full sway. Brother Ray Hughes was the night speaker and was preaching the gospel in power and demonstration, with many at the altar seeking God for definite experiences.

The state overseer, Brother M. B. Norris, is serving his fourth year, and his work has been a continued success. He has had a handicap of ill health, but has worked hard and God has blessed him in the leadership of the great people in the State of Arkansas. Many fine church houses have been built, churches organized, and the work has grown in every department.

They have purchased a fine camp meeting site—twenty-six acres within the city limits of Benton. It is a very nice little city, located on the highway about halfway between Little Rock and Hot Springs near the center of the State, a very ideal and fine location for a state camp meeting.

MISSOURI CAMP MEETING

The last camp meeting on our second camp meeting tour was at Leadwood, Missouri. It had been going for several days when we arrived on Saturday, and we stayed until Sunday at noon. Brother W. H. Henry, state overseer, had his work well arranged and they were having a fine camp meeting and convention. The work in Missouri is very promising, and Brother Henry has a great group of ministers cooperating with him who form a united front against the enemy. We thank God for the great work being done in the State of Missouri.

From Missouri we returned home for two days in the office. We found everything around Headquarters running smoothly; the Linotype machines are rattling, the big presses are rolling out Church of God literature, and I find your Editor, Brother J. H. Walker, in the office late tonight. Brother Simmons is on the job at Lee College with a good report of a fine summer school, and Brother J. A. Muncy, Orphanage Superintendent, seems to be in high spirits and, at the age of sixty-five, can get more work done than most young men. Brother Brinsfield, Missions Secretary, is smiling and working. Brother R. R. Walker, General Secretary and Treasurer, is on the job, taking care of the money and records. Brother E. C. Clark, Business Manager, is away attending

some conventions in the interest of the Publishing House. Immediately after my arrival in Cleveland, the Apportioning Board had a long session, after which Brother Chessier, Assistant General Overseer, left on his last convention trip of the year.

Since the first of June we have driven the red Ford 8,817 miles in convention and camp meeting work, often driving from twelve to sixteen hours, or even more, in a day. The only time out we have had for sightseeing was when we stopped a few minutes just across the river in Kentucky from Cairo, Illinois. We went through the buried city that has been excavated and saw the skeletons of prehistoric mound builders.

Our next convention tour is short, compared with some of the long Western driving that I have been doing. We shall attend the West Virginia state convention in Beckley, the Pennsylvania state camp meeting at Somerset, the state convention and camp meeting in Indiana, and from there to Chicago for a very important meeting of our Pentecostal brethren from throughout the United States and Canada. We solicit your prayers in the interest of this meeting.

We shall be looking forward to seeing you at the General Assembly in Alabama, August 28-31. May God's richest blessings rest upon you.

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